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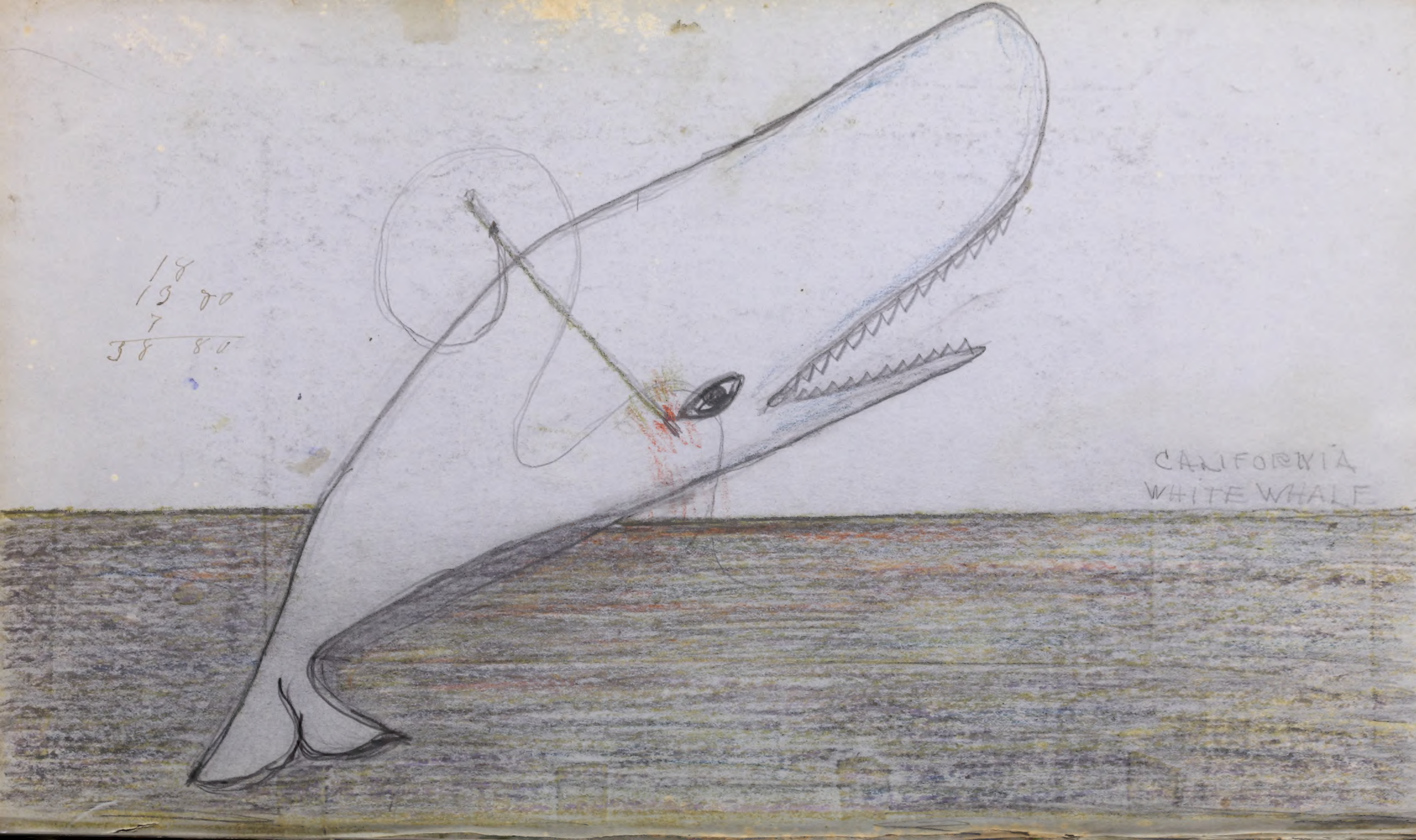
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CALIFORNIA
WHITE WHALE

To Desolation Islands, Sea Elephant hunting.

(Short voyage.)

Capt. Benj. D. Cleveland.

New Bedford, Mass.

2. Wm. Nichols kept this log on Brig Louisa - Mrs. Capt. Cleveland's favorite whaling craft - who accompanied her husband on one or more voyages whaling. Capt. Cleveland was 1/2 owner of famous Chas. W. Morgan with mate Sylvia owner of the other 1/2 - after Morgan's last whaling trip whale gear was all stowed on Merrill's Wharf in Stone - building historic, and 1/2 side of a large storage room down stairs was Capt. Cleveland's whale effects - lances - harpoons etc. most all used in actual whaling - There were several bundles of unused toggles. The other 1/2 side mate Sylvia was going later to fit out another whaler, smaller ——

F. Swift & - bought most of the Capt Cleveland's whaling gear - taking down Mr. Foster and Mr. Fuller, two antique dealers also on a commission basis. Toggles bought at $1.50 (on folio #1.50 ea) spades $1.50 mincing knives $1.50 - and numerous other gear very cheap - which can well for a ridiculous large price for instance toggle iron in folio, lance, spade, (set etc. etc. $1.50.

If Capt. Cleveland and mate Sylvia did not own the furious whale boat they did own the whaling outfits.

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after the Morgan was hoisted up on the dock and fitted out Hamilton Sheathy sold it to Capt Cleveland (furniture not agreed upon) for furniture value.

Here she had a narrow escape from fire - the steamer Sawyer burned just a few feet from Steamboat - which early one morning burned her mooring & drifted across the bay burned to water's edge but against the Morgan

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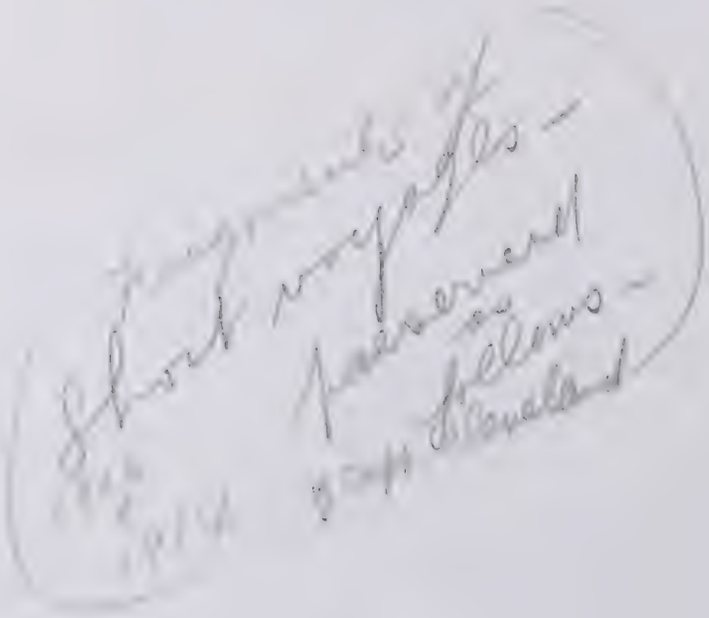
Never saw such a hot fire on a wharf - flames spreading to roof - good eye at - and men on board keeping on their toes

Later a fire from the Sawyer was noted.



Sunday Sept. 30th
Sat under shed most
heavy rain and wind during entire
heavy rain carry away gallery
and partitions -

Capt Cleveland Sept. 25, 1906 Bay Roberts Fishing Boats

This day sailed from Fox Bedside Harbour with crew of 20 — @ 10 A. M. took up anchor — Tug towed us as far as Hen & Chicken Ledge where — Then all sails working off shore —

Sept. 26th. ——

all hands employed in rigging boats and doing other ship duty — Weather calm —

Sept. 27th — ——

Stowed away below — raining like hell —

Sept. 28th

spent day putting mast head down up & rigging boats — N. E. wind —

Sept. 29th

Rigged cutting stage and other ship work — fixed blubber shed —

Sunday Sept. 30th

← Nothing of importance occurred — Employed daily ship work —

Oct. 1st

Broke out water & Engine employed in getting working gear ready — Took Bread

Oct. 2 —

Passed some drift stuff — maybe timber wood.

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Oct. 3d.
Stiff breeze - carried away
main top-sail -
Oct. 4th
Heavy sea - repairing
rigging etc -
Oct. 5th -
Put letter aboard passing
Steamer -
Oct. 6th -
Fresh Breezes - nothing unusual
happening -
Oct. 7th
Moderate weather - nothing
in sight
Oct. 8th
Good weather - daily routine
a ship spoken out -
So ends this day -
Oct. 9th
Nothing special occurred
Oct. 10th to 17th
Nothing occurred - moderate
weather - this day begins with fog -
Oct. 18th
Heavy breeze - sea - rough
dangerous rigging - reefed
sails -
Oct. 19 to 26th
Nothing doing -

Oct. 27th

Saw Poland St. Vincent

Oct. 28th

Reached Poland
St. Antone —

Oct. 29th

Laying off on Bravo —
6 men and boy go ashore

Oct. 30th

Cliff Bravo - sent for
6 extra men - Moderate
Trade winds - Pay and
day came aboard —

Oct - 31 -

34 hands on board -
Cliff again from Bravo -

Nov. 1st to Nov. 4th

Nothing doing —

Nov. 5th

Lowered boats for
Lone rukale, missed
him —

(rukale!)

Nov. 6th to 10th

Nothing doing — So
ends this day

Nov. 11th

Saw a school of
porpoises — men eat
much fish — awoke with
venereal disease

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Nov. 12th to 21st -
Nothing doing -
all hands employed about
decks in usual Dockyard work.
Nov. 22nd
Fresh breeze - caught boat -
Nov. 23rd
Under sail again -
Nov. 24th
Nothing doing
Nov. 25th to 26th
Nothing doing -
Nov. 27th
Saw school Black Fish
Sand ahead -

Nov. 28th
Repairing stands etc -
Nov. 29th to Dec. 3rd
Dock work etc - near shore -

March 14th 1914 -
Killed 14 Sea Elephants

THE DYING WHALE.

1914 –

Left Steamer - flemen
taking mail to Hilo -

July 17th 1914

Left Hamakua
towed by steamer having
towed 3 boats before.
struck line parted and
struck again –

got 3 whales
11 A.M. finishing boiling
5 P.M. finished cutting

Thunder Storms – Cloud
very but squally –
take down the mast Covering
mouth – Sew up the
day after blowing down –

July 18th

towed 2 boats and
got whale and take alongside

Friday Aug 2nd 1914

2 men deserted Semibreton and Sydney - observe all going well on voyage again at St. Helena.

Crew on shore liberty - Cooper struck boy with a stone -

Monday Sept. 2nd -
at St Helena - stormy down sick - Cooper had had drunk - left 2 men I saw seen safe in hospital and L & R Tn sailed away - lots of trouble — 2 run - a - way -

So ends this trip with odd details etc -

Oct. 4th

Fishing and trading in boats along shore of Islands - (Ascension)

Oct. 5 to 6 - 12
Nothing of Incl
to end
days -

Oct. 4th

killed 2 sheep.

Oct. 9th to 14th

all employed at shipwork

— nothing doing —

Oct. 15th

Raised right whale

Parted lines

Lowered 3 boats —

Saw several fin-backs

Saw whales feeding

in distance —

No capture —

Oct. 16th - 17th

nothing doing

Saw ends Thursday

Oct. 18th 1912 —

Saw several fin backs

Oct. 19th 22 —

Saw school Black Fish

killed four — Squally weather

Oct. 23

Saw fin back whale — + caught

Black Fish —

Oct. 24.

Steamer Irving Bush

Oct. 25 —

John Dunn struck with Harpoon

(12)

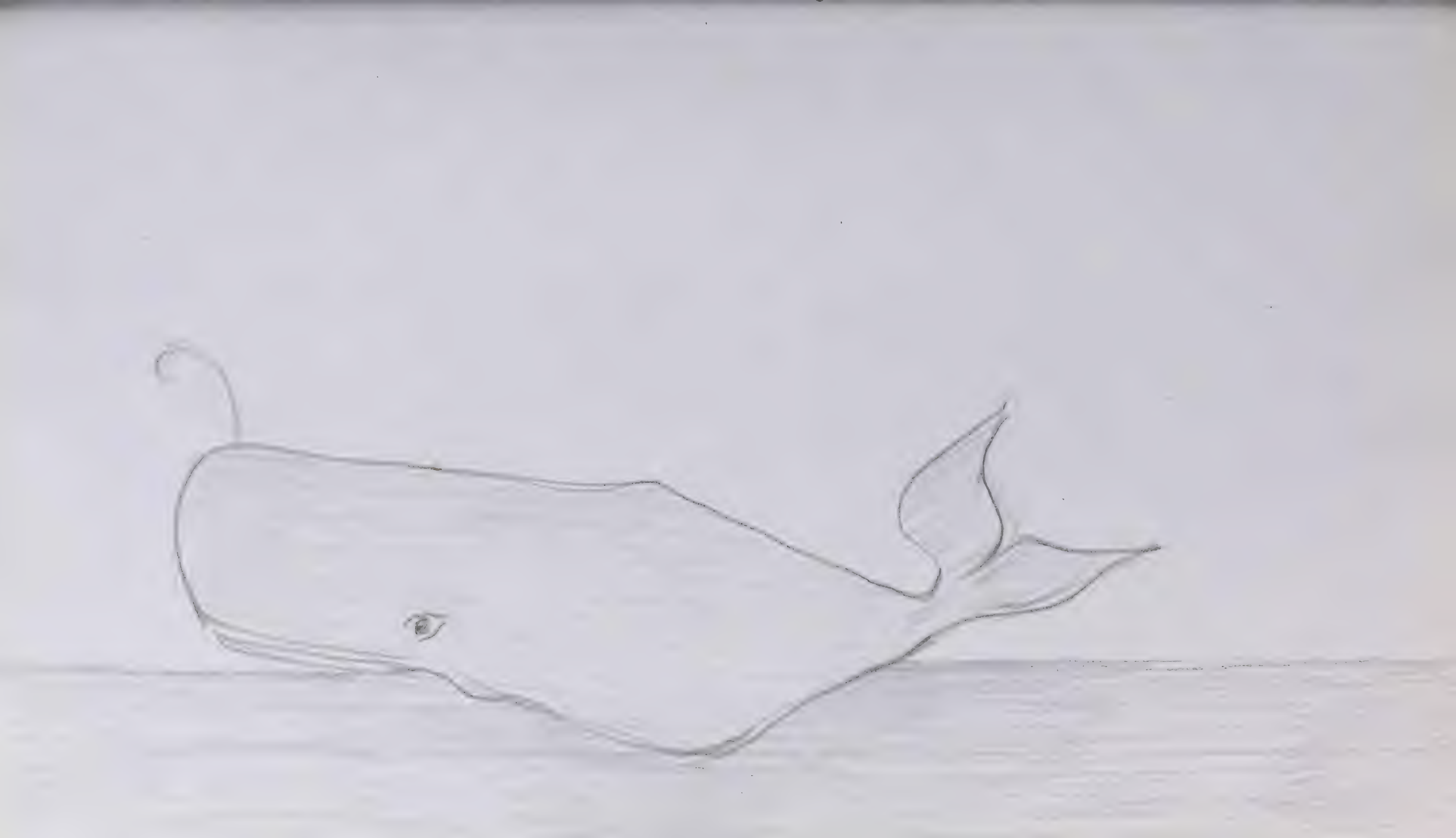
1914 Sperm
Steel engine
Cat. 14th out to end
of voyage Sat. Nov. 9th
caught 11 sea. Elephant
and other whales -
many men sick - Buried
at sea
many sick in stomach
Homeward Bound
got back Block Island
in Jan Barque - after
Sailors trip - Knife cutting -
frays - fighting among crew -
Jno. Silva + John Lowart had
words ____ got King in
back of head with knife -
Capt. Cleveland
3 A.M. back by Sow + Pig -
Eight to out - raised Gay
Head 7 A.M. the Islote -
left Buttons flat - Home -

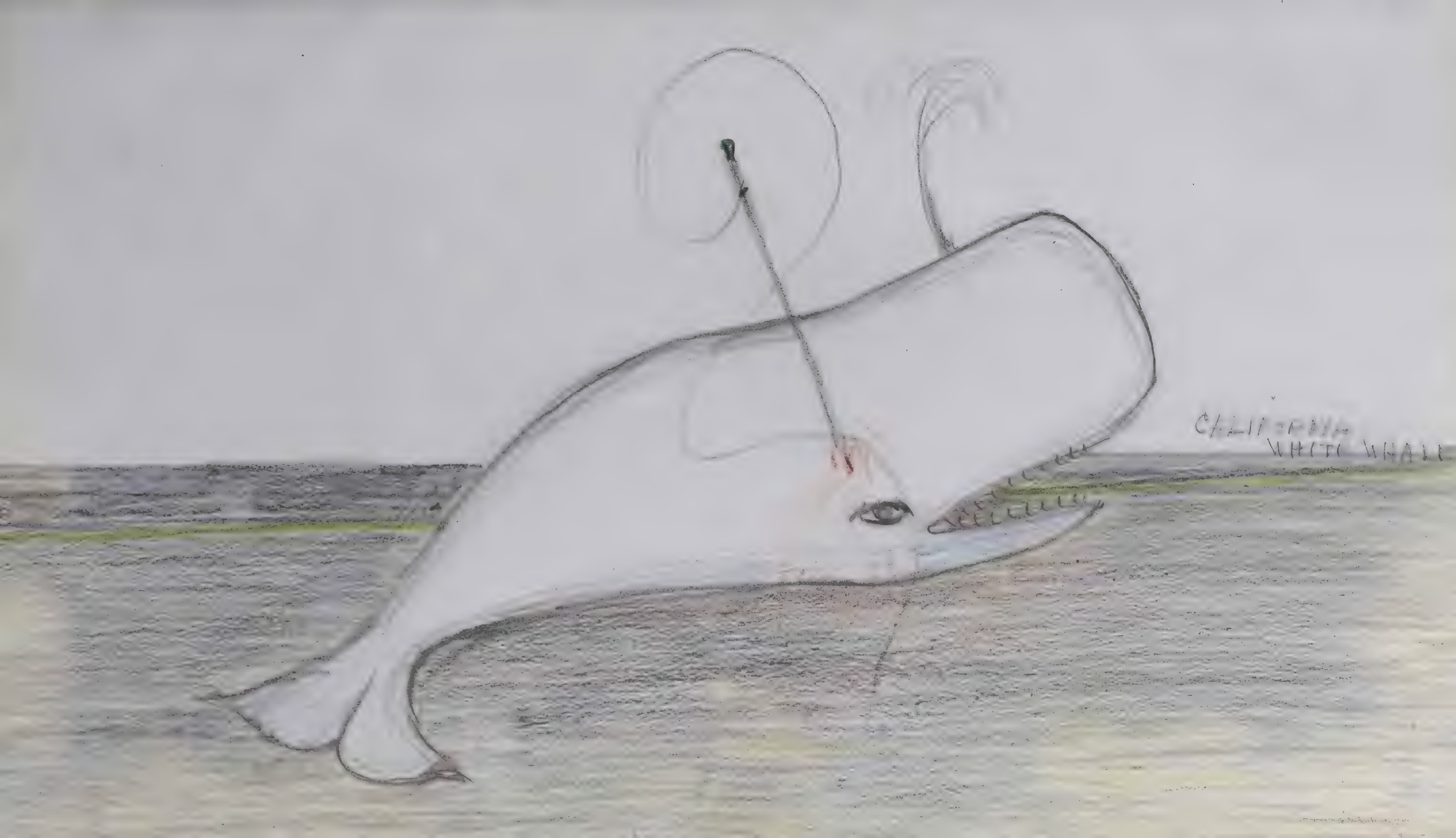
1914 Note Shortage

Between meals date
nothing of special happening
Meals abbreviated -
Among dubs might have some
one stole bacon out
Just a rule matter -
All heating stoves towel?
all sick ?

Sat. Oct. 12 - 1914 -
Joe King and John Lowart had
words but did not come
in fists (actual)
Lectured by Capt. Hawkins
Lowart dull + lobby -

— THE DYING WHALE —

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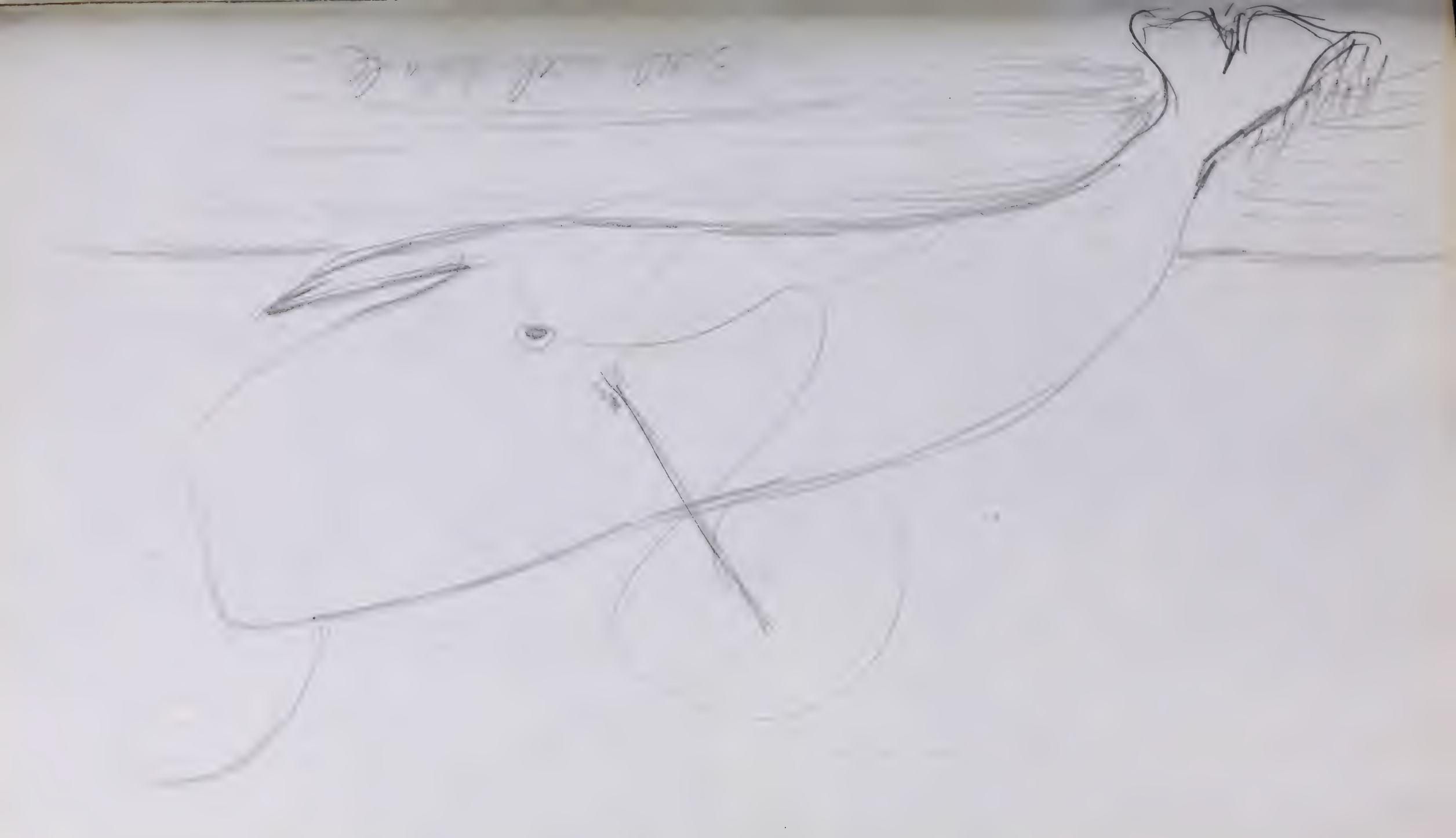

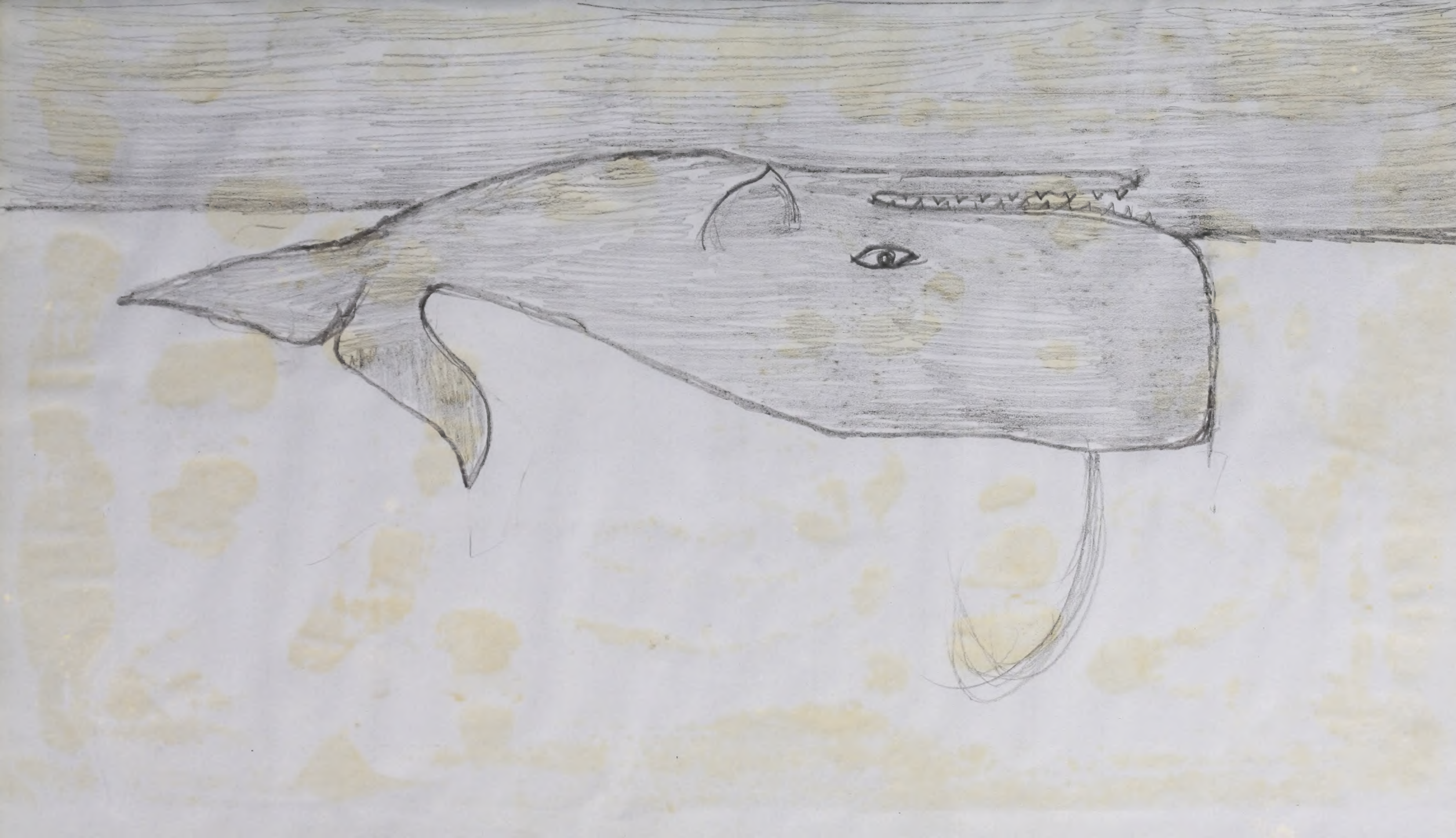

UTTING IN RIGHT WHALE .